

## **Department of Planning and Budget**

### **2019 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB2296

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
<b>Second House</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Leftwich

**3. Committee:** Courts of Justice

**4. Title:** Rights of persons with disabilities; procedures for certain actions, website accessibility.

**5. Summary:** Requires a person who alleges that the website of a bank, trust company, savings institution, or credit union does not comply with applicable law regarding its accessibility by the vision impaired or hearing impaired to provide such entity with notice of the alleged violation at least 120 days prior to filing a civil cause of action. If the entity cures the defect within the 120 days, then the court shall dismiss the action. The bill also requires the court to dismiss a cause of action filed after the defendant has cured the defect and award reasonable costs and attorney fees to the defendant.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. No Fiscal Impact**

**8. Fiscal Implications:** The proposed legislation is not expected to have a state fiscal impact.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Courts.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** None.

**11. Other Comments:** The proposed legislation is a companion to Senate Bill 1302 (Barker).